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President's Message

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Hello fellow ISACA® New York Metro members:

One of the great things about being a very large ISACA® chapter is the opportunity it gives us to provide numerous member benefits. Many of you have taken part in our outstanding education program - including our free webinar series, membership meetings and conferences. We are now expanding into other community service events as well. We are currently working with the NY Department of Labor to sponsor a program for our veterans returning home, who are in need of training. This program is graciously offered through one of our members, Allan Lum, who volunteered to teach some technical courses to veterans in the NY area. We'll keep you posted on this - but so far, we are targeting some dates for later this Spring.

Also - mark your calendars for our April 30th Spring Conference, which will be held at CitiGroup, and also for the June Gala, on June 18th at the Union League Club. More information on this will be coming over the next month or so.

Lastly - our Chapter's Nominating Committee is currently evaluating all of the candidates who applied for Board positions for next year. Elections will be held in May and we'll get the candidate list and bios

out on our website later this Spring, before the election.

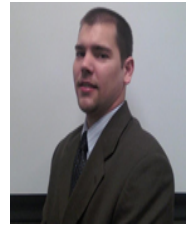
There's a lot of great things on the horizon. By the way - we've set a new record in growth - we are now over 2,700 members, putting us at the 4th largest chapter in the world. We're only 100 members shy of being number 3 - so start spreading the word! I believe that our growth rate results directly from the value our members see in ISACA® and I'm so very proud of our Board for all their hard work and to be the President of such a great organization.

So, until next time, be well, and I hope to see you soon at an upcoming event.

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Single and Multiple Day Classes

Invest in your future by signing up for our full and multiple day education classes today. Upcoming classes include:

- **How to Perform an Information Technology General Controls Review:** Monday, March 12, 2012 - Tuesday, March 13, 2012 (9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Eastern Time Zone). Click [here](#) for more information and to register.
- **Introduction to UNIX/LINUX - The Basics:** Wednesday, March 21, 2012 - Thursday, March 22, 2012 (9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Eastern Time Zone). Click [here](#) for more information and to register.
- **Active Directory Hardening:** Thursday, March 22, 2012 (9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Eastern Time Zone). Click [here](#) for more information and to register.

"Introduction to UNIX/LINUX - The Basics" and Network Audit and Security classes will be offered at no cost to veterans and unemployed members. This is made possible by Allen Lum and continued support from our membership.

Registration for "Introduction to UNIX/LINUX - The Basics" is restricted to veterans and unemployed members until two weeks prior to the class. The Network Audit and Security class will be offered in May and a class on Operational Risk Management in June. Classes under consideration for July through December include: How to Audit Peoplesoft, How to Audit z/OS with USS, TCP/IP, FTP, and the Internet, Cloud Computing, IPV6, and either a class on audit report writing or interviewing techniques.

Thanks to Computer Associates, Crowe Horwath, New York Life, and Protiviti for hosting classes for the Chapter. Your continued support allows us to offer courses with small class sizes and best in class instructors

Webinars

Chapter webinars will continue to be free through June 2012. Click [here](#) for details and to register. If you would like to present to the Chapter, consider using our webinar series to share your knowledge.

Registration for **FACTA - Part 2** (including regulations published in January 2012) is now open. Note that this webinar will be presented on Tuesday, March 6, 2012 (12:00 - 1:00 PM Eastern Time Zone). Click [here](#) for more information and to register.

Volunteers for the Education Committee are always welcome. Email education@isacany.org or [Alexander Josephite](#) (Committee Chair) to learn how to get involved!

Membership

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The Chapter's annual "Recognition Event for Certification Recipients and Past Presidents" was held on February 16th. This lively and fun celebration took place at the Union League Club in Manhattan. We toasted our Members who received certifications in 2011 and thanked our past Presidents for their service. Visit the [Membership Meetings and Events](#) page for photos and event brochure.

We look forward to seeing you at one or all of the following upcoming Membership meetings and events:

- **Long Island Membership Meeting:** Thursday, April 19, 2012 (6:00 PM - 9:00 PM Eastern Time Zone) - Meeting and 1-hour presentation (1 CPE) begins at 6:30 PM, followed by networking, food, and beverage. Invitations will be emailed in early March with registration and topic information.

Location:

New York Institute of Technology
 Harry J. Shure Hall Auditorium Room #130
 Northern Blvd and Valentines Lane
 Old Westbury, NY 11568

- **Spring Conference 2012 and Membership Meeting:** Monday, April 30, 2012 (8:00 AM - 9:00 PM Eastern Time Zone)

Location:

Citigroup
 388 Greenwich Street
 New York, NY 10013

Overview:

- Conference: 8:00 AM - 5:30 PM - Includes 5 presentations (7 CPE), buffet breakfast, lunch, and raffle prizes.
- Meeting: 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM - 1 hour presentation (1 CPE) begins at 6:30 PM followed by networking, food, and beverage. Invitations will be emailed in early March with registration and detailed agenda.

Speakers include:

- Bart Stanco - Vice President and Executive Partner, Gartner
- Brian Barnier - ValueBridge Advisors
- Rick Lichtenfels - Deputy Director, National Cybersecurity and Communications Integration Center (NCCIC), U.S. Department of Homeland Security
- Bradley Anstis - Vice President of Technical Strategy

- Additional speakers will be announced in the next few days.
- **Annual Gala:** Monday, June 18, 2012 (6:00 PM - 10:00 PM Eastern Time Zone) - Event begins with cocktail hour followed by formal sit-down dinner.

Location:

Union League Club
38 East 37th Street
New York, NY 10016

Visit the Chapter [website](#) on a regular basis for updates on Membership events. Check *Hot Topics* on the [Home](#) page and the [Membership](#) pages.

One more reminder to renew your membership. Click [here](#) to renew online today quickly and securely. Don't miss out on the many [benefits](#) of ISACA® membership.

Volunteers are always needed and greatly appreciated for Membership events. Email volunteer@isacany.org or [Marguerite McCarthy](#) (Committee Chair) for more information.

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There's still time to sign-up for our "Early Bird" registration for the CISA® and CRISC® exam review class. Take advantage now before the price goes up after April 15th.

- **Back by popular demand!** "Early Bird" registration is once again being offered for the CISA® exam review class (Spring 2012). Click [here](#) to register at the "Early Bird" price. Hurry! Limited seating is available at this rate.
- **New!** The spring 2012 Live CRISC® Exam Review Class is back with Ernst & Young LLP sponsoring and Jay Ranade teaching. Click [here](#) to register. Participants attending the CRISC® class will gain knowledge in IT Risk Management, as well as great preparation for the December certification exam in the areas of Risk identification, Assessment & Evaluation, Risk Response, Risk Monitoring, Information Systems Control, Design & implementation, and Information Systems Control Monitoring & Maintenance.
- **New!** CISA® & CISM® certification exam participants for the June 2012 exam: An "IT Boot Camp for CISA® and CISM® Exam" will be offered on Friday, May 11, 2012 from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM. The cost is \$300 and you can earn 8 CPEs.

Recently, the CISA® exam has become more challenging. It requires you to have broad knowledge of different aspects of IT. As we know, IT is ever changing and so is the field of IT auditing. The CISA® exam expects you to have good knowledge of technical terms and controls associated with the technical risks. Even those of you who have been working in IT need to understand new technologies and associated controls. Please don't miss this valuable class to enhance your chances of passing the CISA® and CISM® exams!

- CISA® exam registration is now open. The Final Registration Deadline is April 4, 2012. Note that this registration is *different* from the "Early Bird" registration for the CISA® exam review class.
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Click [here](#) to register for an ISACA® certification exam.

If you are interested in pursuing a certification, please contact certification@isacsany.org or [Kwongmei To](#) (Committee Chair).

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The Corporate Relations Committee has successfully progressed with activities towards actively exploring ways of engaging corporations to support the Chapter to better serve our members. The Committee's key achievements since last month include:

- Analyzed Chapter's membership profile and has taken active steps to engage companies business and IT leadership in ISACA events and activities.
- Engaged Gartner, the world's leading information technology research and advisory company advising CIOs and senior IT leaders from 11,500 distinct organizations, corporations and government agencies. Bart Stanco, one of Gartner's distinguished specialists will join the ISACA® New York Metro Chapter's conference on April 30th as a key note speaker. Bart is a vice president and executive partner with Gartner Executive Programs with more than 25 years of hands-on leadership.
- Obtained sponsorship from Ernst & Young to promote the CRISC® certification, communicate the importance of the certification to Ernst & Young junior audience and also management. In addition, Ernst & Young is sponsoring this year's CRISC® exam preparation course.

The Corporate Relations Committee continues its efforts in the following areas:

- Working with ISACA International and a leading consulting group to identify best practices in areas of certification.
- Reaching out to members who work in the government sector in order to strengthen our engagement with that particular sector of our membership.
- Exploring possible collaboration with the IIA related to Information Technology Training for non IT professionals such as financial auditors.

If you are interested in joining the Corporate Relations Committee, please contact corporate.relations@isacany.org or [Alexander Abramov](#) (Committee Chair).

Our Leadership

Board of Directors

The ISACA® New York Metro Chapter Board of Directors consists of 20 Board Members plus the last 3 past Presidents. Like our membership, the Board represents a wide array of backgrounds and come from many industries including Financial Services, Consulting, Education, Entertainment, and Retail. The Board meets monthly to discuss the Chapter's new and old business and the status of projects being performed by Board Committees.

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